Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. Claims 10-12 have been canceled.

Election/Restrictions

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-9.

Claims 1-9 are readable on elected group I.

Entry of this Response is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis Corporate Intellectual Property One Health Plaza, Building 104 East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080 (862) 778-7898

Date: October 15, 2007

Lydia T. McNally
Attorney for Applicants

Reg. No. 36,214